

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

JUN 30 2005

In re Application of:)
 MARK W. HITCHINS et. al.)
 Serial No.: 09/436,612)
 Filed: November 9, 1999)
 Art Unit: 3763)
 Examiner: Manuel A. Mendez)
 Attorney Docket: VI/96-033 D.C)

PLUNGER SYSTEMS

Indianola, Pennsylvania 15051

June 30, 2005

Mail Stop AMENDMENT
 Commissioner for Patents
 P. O. BOX 1450
 ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

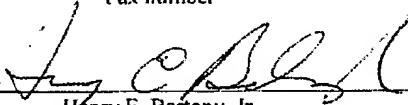
CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any document referred to as enclosed herewith are being transmitted via Facsimile on June 30, 2005 to Mail Stop AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 at the following fax number identified by the Examiner:

703.872.9306

Fax number

Total Pages: 6


 Henry E. Bartony, Jr.
 Registration No. 34,772

July 30, 2005

Dated

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2005 in the above-referenced application, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider the claims in light of the following response. A Petition for Extension (in duplicate) accompanies this Response, thereby extending the period for response up to and including July 24, 2005.

**RECEIVED
OIPE/IAP**

JUL 01 2005